

House Resolution No. 2630

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who contribute an exceptional amount of time and energy to ensuring that students obtain the knowledge, skills, and experiences necessary to become lifelong learners, involved citizens, and future societal leaders; and

Whereas, Raquel Coy of Saint Joseph, Missouri, is a teacher, mentor, and volunteer tutor who has been employed by the Saint Joseph School District since 2002; and

Whereas, on April 20, 2007, Raquel Coy enhanced her already impressive record of achievement when she was presented with an Outstanding Beginning Teacher Award from the Missouri Association of Colleges for Teacher Education; and

Whereas, nominated for her award by Dr. Debra A. Pellegrino, Chair and Associate Professor of Education at Rockhurst University in Kansas City, Raquel Coy graduated from Rockhurst University with a Master of Education degree in December 2005; and

Whereas, Raquel Coy previously graduated from Benton High School in Saint Joseph, attended Northwest Missouri State University in Maryville, and earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science from Missouri Western State University in Saint Joseph; and

Whereas, known as a leader in the field of literacy, Raquel Coy teaches second grade at Lindbergh Elementary School in the Saint Joseph School District; and

Whereas, Raquel Coy weaves a seamless tapestry of reading and writing/theory and practice into all content areas of the curriculum in order to negate the typical effects of poverty on student achievement; and

Whereas, born on March 15, 1980, the former Raquel Lowdon married Richard Coy to form a marital union that has been richly blessed with the love and affection of two sons, Allan Coy and Christopher Coy:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the well-deserved selection of Raquel Coy as an Outstanding Beginning Teacher by the Missouri Association of Colleges for Teacher Education and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt best wishes for continued personal and professional success for many more years to come; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Raquel Coy of Saint Joseph, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Ed Wildberger
District No. 27

Representative Mike Talboy
District No. 37

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 2630, adopted April 24, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker